



**District 4 Pedestrian Advisory Committee (PAC) Meeting  
March 28, 2018, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.  
Meeting Summary**

**PAC members in attendance:**

Adam Foster, Contra Costa County resident  
Carol Levine, Alameda County resident  
David Simons, Santa Clara County resident  
Kara Oberg, Metropolitan Transportation Commission  
Leah Greenblat, West Contra Costa Technical Advisory Committee

**PAC members who participated via teleconference:**

Chris Marks, Alameda County Transportation Commission  
Lauren Ledbetter, Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority  
Steven Grover, Alameda County resident  
Ryan Dodge, Solano Transportation Authority  
Sara Muse, City/County Association of Governments

**Non-members who participated in the meeting:**

Diana Meehan, Napa Valley Transportation Authority  
Oscar Tsai, Steven Grover & Associates

**Caltrans staff in attendance:**

Sergio Ruiz, Pedestrian and Bicycle Branch Coordinator  
Greg Currey, Pedestrian and Bicycle Branch  
Dianne Yee, Pedestrian and Bicycle Branch  
Elliot Goodrich, Pedestrian and Bicycle Branch  
Philip Rodriguez, Sustainability Manager, Division of Administration

**The following PAC members were not present:**

Bjorn Gripenburg, Sonoma County resident

Agenda Item #1: Welcome and introductions of new PAC members

A quorum was present.

Agenda Item #2: Agenda review

Added new agenda item: Election of new Chair and Vice Chair

- David Simons nominated Steven Grover to be Chair, and Leah Greenblat to be Vice Chair.
- Both were accepted and approved.

Agenda Item #3: Public comment

No public comments.

Agenda Item #4: Review and approval of January 24, 2018 Joint PAC + BAC meeting summary

Approved with an edit to page 2 Item #6: “Class I bikeway ~~path~~”.

Agenda Item #5: Potential District 4 proposal for Active Transportation Program (ATP)

Sergio Ruiz gave an overview of the timeline for ATP Cycle 4 (2019) applications and presented the project proposal for pedestrian and bicycle improvements at I-80 Central Avenue undercrossing. This is not to be confused by the Contra Costa Transportation Authority’s (CCTA) I-80/580 Central Avenue operational improvement project, which will include green bike lane markings and upgraded curb ramps.

The Caltrans District 4 **I-80 Central Avenue undercrossing project** proposes Class IV bikeways under I-80, sidewalk improvements to Pierce Street, and pedestrian-scale lighting.

Discussion and comments:

- The project looks very feasible.
- Suggestion to add local public art.
- Work with CCTA, Richmond, El Cerrito, and other stakeholders. Attend the quarterly meetings with CCTA and bicycle advocates.
- Suggestion to tighten the corner turning radius.
- The project would help attract walkers and bicyclists. Currently the location is isolated and not comfortable.
- Make it aesthetically pleasing.

Agenda Item #6: Caltrans District 4 Pedestrian Plan

Greg Currey introduced the **District 4 Pedestrian Plan** and the final products that it is proposed to deliver. The timeline for development of the Pedestrian Plan is still being determined; anticipated kickoff will be in late 2018. The Committee members provided input and feedback on what the plan should improve.

Agenda Item #7: Update on Interim Approval for the Optional Use of Pedestrian-Actuated Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at Uncontrolled Marked Crosswalks (IA-21)

Sergio Ruiz provided an update on the use of RRFBs. **Interim Approval (IA) 21** is a new approval and requires any agency to request permission from FHWA again, even if the agency already had approval under IA-11. There is currently no blanket approval for RRFBs through IA-21 in California.

See MUTCD IA-21 Memorandum for more details.

Discussion and comments:

- We will have to wait and see what comes out of the FHWA study on RRFBs.
- Committee requested Sergio to give an update on any blanket approval.

Agenda Item #8: Update on pedestrian and bicycle mode separation subcommittee

Steven Grover, subcommittee lead, shared that the next mode separation subcommittee meeting will be on April 26, 2018. The meeting will focus on the three items voted on from PAC and BAC (Agenda Item #7 from January 24, 2018 Joint PAC + BAC meeting summary).

- Subcommittee members: Carol, Bjorn, Mike, Eric, and Adam
- New PAC members requested Steven to send meeting materials to them.

Agenda Item #9: Topics for future meetings

- Joint PAC+BAC meeting – June 27, 2018, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
  - Steven can share the final report from the Connecting Windsor project.
  - Same topics from this meeting as an update
- PAC meeting – September 26, 2018, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.
  - Pedestrian accommodations on diverging diamond interchanges (DDI) (from the PAC work plan)

Agenda Item #10: Review and discussion of 2018 PAC Work Plan

- PAC requested Sergio to share project initiation document (PID) list.
- Interest in “Pedestrian accommodations on diverging diamond interchanges (DDI)”
- Continue to accept new applications for PAC members.

Agenda Item #11: Announcements and information sharing

None.